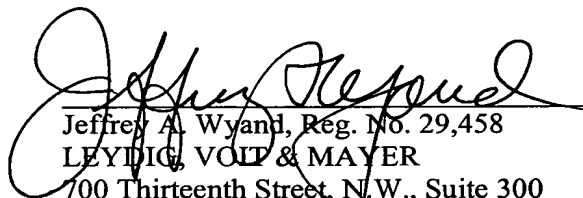


*REMARKS/ARGUMENTS*

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect the alleged Species III which is related to Figure 21 of the patent application. Based upon this election, claims 8-13 should be immediately examined.

Prompt and favorable examination of claims 8-13 is earnestly solicited.

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